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# PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to an examination on the merits, please enter the following amendments:

#### In the Claims:

Please <u>SUBSTITUTE</u> the following amended claims for the pending claims with the same number (a marked up copy of the prior pending claim with all changes shown is supplied in the appendix):

5. A call handling device according to claim 3 [or claim 4], wherein the processor is adapted to select a different radio by:

temporarily establishing one or more second bluetooth connections, each second bluetooth connection being established via a respective different radio; monitoring and comparing each established second bluetooth connection; and, selecting one of the second bluetooth connections in accordance with the result of the comparison.

- 6. A call handling device according to claim 1, wherein the processor monitors the signal strength of bluetooth connections.
- 8. A call handling device according to claim 1, wherein the processor monitors the number of errors detected in the bluetooth connection.
- 10. A call handling device according to claim 1, wherein the processor is adapted to maintain the connection between the call handling device and communications network whilst the second connection is established.
- 11. A call handling device according to claim 1, wherein the processor is adapted to establish the second connection using the bluetooth headset profile.
- 12. A call handling device according to claim 1, wherein the communications device comprises one of a bluetooth enabled headset, a bluetooth enabled phone, or a bluetooth enabled PDA with voice communication facilities.
- 13. A call handling device according to claim 1, wherein the communications network is one of a PBX, PSTN, POTS or the Internet.

### **REMARKS**

Applicant believes that all pending claims are allowable and respectfully requests a Notice of Allowance for this application from the Examiner. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the undersigned can be reached at the telephone number set out below.

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## **APPENDIX**

5. A call handling device according to claim 3 [or claim 4], wherein the processor is adapted to select a different radio by:

temporarily establishing one or more second bluetooth connections, each second bluetooth connection being established via a respective different radio; monitoring and comparing each established second bluetooth connection; and, selecting one of the second bluetooth connections in accordance with the result of the comparison.

- 6. A call handling device according to <u>claim 1</u> [any of the preceding claims], wherein the processor monitors the signal strength of bluetooth connections.
- 8. A call handling device according to <u>claim 1</u> [any of the preceding claims], wherein the processor monitors the number of errors detected in the bluetooth connection.
- 10. A call handling device according to <u>claim 1</u> [any of the preceding claims], wherein the processor is adapted to maintain the connection between the call handling device and communications network whilst the second connection is established.
- 11. A call handling device according to <u>claim 1</u> [any of the preceding claims], wherein the processor is adapted to establish the second connection using the bluetooth headset profile.
- 12. A call handling device according to <u>claim 1</u> [any of the preceding claims], wherein the communications device comprises one of a bluetooth enabled headset, a bluetooth enabled phone, or a bluetooth enabled PDA with voice communication facilities.
- 13. A call handling device according to <u>claim 1</u> [any of the preceding claims], wherein the communications network is one of a PBX, PSTN, POTS or the Internet.